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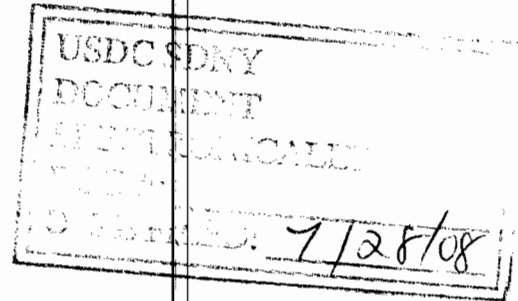
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July 22, 2008

By Hand

The Honorable John E. Sprizzo
United States District Judge
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007



**Re: United States v. Luis Jaime Sanchez Lopez
06 Cr. 620 (JES)
08 Cv. 5361 (JES)**

Dear Judge Sprizzo:

I write to request a 30-day extension of the Government's time to respond to the defendant's Motion for Return of Property in the above-referenced actions. The criminal case above was reassigned to me while the previously-assigned AUSA is away on extended leave. The United States Attorney's Office initially received a copy of the defendant's motion on July 8, 2008, the same day that it received a copy of Your Honor's Order setting a July 11, 2008 deadline for the Government's response. I personally received a copy of the motion Order after the July 11 deadline had passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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